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- ☒ Specification 20 pgs., including claims numbered 1-15 and a 1 page abstract;
- ☒ 8 Sheets of Formal drawings;
- ☒ Communication Regarding Divisional Application (2 pgs.);
- ☒ A copy of the Declaration from prior application (3 pgs.);
- ☒ A copy of Power of Attorney from prior application (1 pg.);
- ☒ Prior application is assigned of record to: Micron Technology, Inc.;
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This is a divisional application of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/017,664 (the '664 application), titled "FLASH ARRAY IMPLEMENTATION WITH LOCAL AND GLOBAL BIT LINES," filed December 12, 2001 (pending). The '664 application was subjected to a Restriction Requirement by Examiner Viet Q. Nguyen in the Restriction Requirement mailed December 31, 2003. Applicant contends that the claims of the present divisional application comport with the subject matter of the non-elected claims 44-46 of the '664 application.

The specification has been amended to add a cross reference to the '664 application, to conform the Summary to the claims, and to update references to cited patent applications. Formal drawings are submitted.

If the Examiner has any questions or concerns regarding this application, please contact the undersigned at 612 312-2200.

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